## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 492**

## By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Joshua Stephen Baltz, 2007 Salutatorian of Martin Westview High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Stephen Baltz is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2007 graduating class at Martin Westview High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Baltz has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Josh has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Honor Society and the Beta Club, which he served as Secretary; and

WHEREAS, highly esteemed as a leader among his peers, Mr. Baltz served as Senior Class Secretary, Vice President of Mu Alpha Theta, and President of the French II Club; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, this exceptional young man has earned numerous honors and awards; he received a Lambuth University Partners of Excellence Scholarship, a Lambuth Men's Soccer Athletic Scholarship, and a Tennessee Hope Lottery Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, Josh is an avid sports enthusiast, and he has been a key member of his school's varsity soccer team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baltz's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success at Lambuth University, where he plans to major in French and International Business and play for the school's soccer program; and

WHEREAS, Josh's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jack and Susan Baltz, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Baltz's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Joshua Stephen Baltz, 2007 Martin Westview High School Salutatorian, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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